

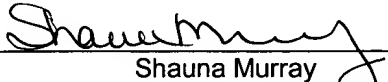


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RESPONSE TO NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

The Applicant submits the following response to Non-Compliant Amendment and Remarks in Response to the Office Action dated July 11, 2003 in the above referenced patent application. Claims 22-27 are pending in the present application. Claims 23 and 27 are objected to for grammatical errors. Claim 26 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112. Claims 22, 24-26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b). Claims 22-27 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). No claims are allowed. This Action is final.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.